Agency Plan for 6.287 Percent GF-S Allotment Reduction

Agency Name: Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Name of Program or Service Being Reduced: Basic Support Grant

Description of Reduction: Previously matched federal carry over funds will be used in lieu of

General Fund – State.

Dollar Amount: (\$602,000) GF-S \$0 GF-F 0.0 FTE

Description of Client Impact and/or Effect on Service Outcomes: DVR will not match all available grant dollars and will relinquish \$4,600,000 Basic Support grant dollars in FFY10 and FFY11. The maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement will be met so that additional penalties will not occur.

If DVR is unable to meet the Maintenance of Effort (MOE) requirement a dollar for dollar penalty would be assessed by the U.S. Rehabilitation Services Administration (URSA) in addition to the reversion of the federal dollars.

DVR may need to enter a federally mandated wait list called order of selection if staffing levels or funding levels are not sufficient to meet all program requirements. The order of selection would serve the most disabled first, reducing the overall success of the program due to lengthy waiting periods individuals will experience. In the past DVR experienced as many as 14,000 individuals waiting for VR services with a wait list ranging from 212 days to over 1,500 days. Order of selection has a disparate impact on other populations that benefit from DVR services including individuals that are deaf or hard of hearing, transitioning youth with disabilities and adults with disabilities that require DVR services to maintain their employment.

Further reductions could impact the transitioning of clients from other DSHS programs including the Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse, Disability Lifeline, TANF, Developmental Disabilities, and Behavioral Health as well as community partners and other state agencies into employment within community based settings by maintaining their dependence on public assistance.

Implementation Date: October 1, 2010

Agency Name: Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Name of Program or Service Being Reduced: Expand Temporary Layoff by 2 Days

Description of Reduction: Add an additional 2 days of Temporary Layoff to all staff

Dollar Amount: (\$32,000) GF-S

Description of Client Impact and/or Effect on Service Outcomes: There will be fewer staff available to assist clients on temporary layoff days.

Implementation Date: November 1, 2010